

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 10, as follows:

The orientation of the impact member to be arranged is not particularly limited.

When the direction of the impact of the product to be pulverized is parallel to a horizontal surface, it is preferable that the impact member is arranged in a widthwise direction (a) than a lengthwise direction (b), in order to prevent the lowering of the pulverization efficiency due to accumulation of the powder at the bottom of the impact member, as shown in Figure 5.

Figs. 1 and 5a show an axis Z of the cylindrical impact member 2, and Fig. 5a shows an angle  $\theta$  between the axis Z and a longitudinal axis X of the venturi nozzle X. Arrows in Figure 5 show a pathway before and after the impact of the product to be pulverized. In addition, if specified points are worn upon use and thereby the pulverization efficiency is lowered, the impact member in the present invention is shifted in the shaft direction, or rotated centering about the shaft, whereby a new impact line can also be provided. Further, it is preferable that the rim part of this impact member is provided with a pedestal in the form of a rectangular column, a cylinder, a cone, a quadrangular pyramid, or the like so as to circumvent the pulverized fine powder from being spread to the back part of the impact member.